

Criteria for Michigan documents core list

Purpose

To provide libraries and information professionals with a concise list of official publications produced by Michigan state government agencies that will assist users in navigating the complex structure of state government, participating in the development and process of that government and benefiting from the programs and services offered by the state of Michigan.

General principals

As vital sources of information, a core Michigan document will...

...support the public's right to know about the workings and essential activities of their state government.

...be representative of any/all branches of state government.

...convey information on agricultural, historical, social, economic, political, legal, environmental, judicial, cultural and health related topics of statewide impact.

...contain significant and/or comprehensive subject information.

...contain information with long-term relevance.

...comply with the Michigan documents collection development guidelines.

Specific criteria

In order to maintain the authority and integrity of the information contained on this list, a core Michigan document will be...

... an annual report representing the overall activities of an executive, judicial, legislative agency or official, Type I or II agencies within an executive department, and/or a governing commission or board.

... an annual report representing the overall activities of a state government program significantly impacting the lives of the majority of the state's citizens.

... a statistical compilation that contains comprehensive state level data regarding agricultural, historical, social, economic, political, legal, environmental, judicial, cultural and health related issues.

... a task force or research report authored or commissioned by an executive, judicial, legislative

agency or official, Type I or II agencies within an executive department, and/or a governing commission or board that contains information of statewide appeal regarding agricultural, historical, social, economic, political, legal, environmental, judicial, cultural and health related issues.

...a directory of statewide resources.

...a handbook, manual, or guideline specific to a state government process or program in which the majority of the state's citizens participate or are affected.

... a finding aid that directs users to sources of state government information.

Subject categories

Activities of Executive, Judicial & Legislative agencies and governing boards and commissions

Agriculture

Crime, Corrections, and Courts

Consumer protection

Budget process

Business

Directories

Education

Environment and natural resources

Finding Aids

Health

History, Arts & Culture

Human Services

Legal and Judicial process

Legislative history

Michigan Maps

Military and Veterans

People and Groups

Rules, regulations, laws and legislative history

State government - general

Statistics

Taxes in Michigan

Other popular titles

New ideas

Agency histories

Reports of special conferences, summits (e.g. Constitutional Conferences).

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